Responder Knowledge Database/Authorized Equipment List

Background

The Responder Knowledge Base (RKB) is a web-based information service for the emergency responder community funded by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and hosted by the National Memorial Institute for the Prevention of Terrorism (MIPT). RKB operates as a public service, with no cost to users and no cost to information contributors such as product manufacturers. Thousands of jurisdictions and departments, as well as virtually all State Administrative Agencies, now use the RKB on a regular basis to obtain grant guidance and unbiased product information. The site address is https://www.rkb.us/.

How to Set Up An Account

1. Type or copy the following address into your web browser: https://www.rkb.us/
2. Click on the Create an Account link on the right side of the screen
3. Fill out the information on the form to create your account

How to Log-In and Use the Website

1. From the main page (https://www.rkb.us), enter in your email and password information in the Login to the RKB box on the right side of the screen and click on enter
2. Click on the link for SEL & Integrated Display on the top of the screen
3. Click on the link for AEL Only under the heading, "FEMA Preparedness Grants Authorized Equipment List"
4. Click on the red lettering that says, "This list contains all items. You can customize by Grant"
5. Click on Uncheck All
6. Click the box beside State Homeland Security Program/Urban Area Security Initiative (SHSP/UASI)
7. Click the Customize button
8. Now the only items you will see are what is allowable for the Homeland Security Grant Program. They are broken down by Category and then by subcategory.
9. Click on the + sign to expand the list and see the subcategories.
10. Click on the equipment description you want to review to see the AEL number (which I need), the Title, the description and any restrictions on the purchase.
11. When finished, click on the Logout link